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SUBJ: COLOMBO PLAN - TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION STATISTICS

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER DATED JUNE 19, 1978, FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE COLOMBO PLAN BUREAU.

2. QUOTE

EVERY YEAR WE REQUEST COLOMBO PLAN GOVERNMENTS TO PROVIDE US WITH STATISTICS CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO REGIONAL MEMBER COUNTRIES DURING THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR. THIS INFORMATION PROVIDES THE MATERIAL FOR THE STATISTICAL TABLES WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE COLOMBO PLAN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE AND ALSO THE BASIS FOR CHAPTER II OF THAT REPORT WHICH ANALYSES THE TRENDS. IN ADDITION THE BUREAU HAS TO PRODUCE A PAPER FOR THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE SUMMARIZING THE POSITION WITH REGARD TO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION.

3. THE BUREAU THUS HAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF WORK TO DO ONCE ALL THE MATERIAL COMES IN. UNFORTUNATELY EVERY YEAR THE BUREAU HAS A CRISIS ON ITS HANDS OWING TO THE VERY LATE ARRIVAL OF SOME OF THE STATISTICAL DATA AND HAS TO DO A RUSH JOB. LAST YEAR I DOUBT WHETHER MANY OF THE DELEGATES TO THE KATHMANDU CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HAD A CHANCE TO SEE THE COUNCIL'S ANNUAL

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REPORT BEFORE THE CONFERENCE OPENED. IT WAS THEREFORE PERHAPS NOT SURPRISING THAT THE DISCUSSION ON COLOMBO PLAN TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION WAS SO PERFUNCTORY AND LACKING IN CONTENT, --UNLESS WE GET IN ALL THE STATISTICAL DATA BY MID AUGUST, AT THE VERY LATEST, WE SHALL AGAIN BE IN TROUBLE THIS YEAR. I AM THEREFORE WRITING TO THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED TO SEEK THEIR CO-OPERATION IN SENDING IN THEIR STATISTICS MORE ON TIME. IN THE

CASE OF THE U.S. STATISTICS, LAST YEAR WE DID NOT RECEIVE THE BULK UNTIL THE END OF SEPTEMBER. I WOULD THEREFORE BE VERY GRATEFUL FOR ANY ASSISTANCE YOU CAN GIVE US IN ENSURING THE EARLIER ARRIVAL OF THESE STATISTICS THIS YEAR.

5. I ENCLOSE FOR YOUR INFORMATION A COPY OF THE CIRCULAR LETTER WE SENT OUT EARLIER THIS YEAR REQUESTING THE TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION STATISTICS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977. END QUOTE.

6. THE CIRCULAR LETTER REFERRED TO WAS FORWARDED TO MEEHAN IN ASIA/DP BY 2-WAY MEMO DATED MARCH 2, 1978.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON THE DIRECTOR'S LETTER.
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